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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as
follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Page 23, Claim 9, change "the previous claims" to
--claims 1-8--.

Claim 10, change "of the previous claims" to
--one of claims 1-8--.

Please add new claim 11 as follows:

--11. A diagnostic kit as claimed in claim 10, further comprising
one or more of the following control primers:

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Cont.

A conclusion

REMARKS :

Respectfully submitted,

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